

Report

Chamizal National Memorial

■ 1.0 Site Description

The Chamizal National Memorial (NM) was established on 55 acres in El Paso, Texas to commemorate the Treaty between Mexico and the United States in 1963. The treaty settled a boundary dispute begun over a century ago by the natural channel changes of the Rio Grande River. The Memorial is located in and has direct access to downtown El Paso. The property is connected to the city street system and served by the municipal bus system. Visitors to the Memorial use the interior road system with their automobiles or bicycles or follow the interior trails on foot or bike. The Memorial provides a museum and visitor center, using visual and performing arts as a medium of interchange, that contain materials intended to help people better understand not only other cultures, but their own cultural roots as well. Visitation is highest during April through September and lowest during October through March.

■ 2.0 Existing ATS

Municipal bus service currently meets the Alternative Transportation Systems (ATS) needs of visitors to the Chamizal NM.

■ 3.0 ATS Needs

The Chamizal NM is not a candidate site for ATS other than continuation of the municipal bus system access to the site.

■ 4.0 Basis for ATS Needs

There is no basis for additional ATS service to this site.

■ 5.0 Bibliography

Chamizal National Monument. Internet site: <http://www.nps.gov/cham/>. Information printed November 1999.

(See also Amistad NRA.)

■ 6.0 Persons Interviewed

William H. Sontag, Superintendent, telephone interview, November 1999